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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 22 January 1968

DD/I reported that steps are under way to embargo any publication of the possibility (which was discussed by the Director, Bruce Clarke, and Secretary Rusk on Saturday) that the Soviets have withdrawn two ground divisions from Berlin. DDCI asked that Bruce Clarke brief him on this matter, and D/ONE suggested that Ludwell Montague be briefed at the same time.



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Godfrey drew attention to the B-52 which crashed near Thule, Greenland, and disappeared through the ice.

Godfrey drew attention to a State cable from Paris reporting an alleged French approach to the Greeks offering French recognition and carte blanche economic assistance in return for Greek adherence to French policy toward NATO in the Middle East.

D/ONE reported that the F-5 paper is ready and that there should be USIB concurrence by noon today. The Director asked the D/ONE to ensure that Secretary Katzenbach and Arthur Hartman, executive secretary of SIG, receive copies since the genesis of the paper was a SIG request.

DD/S reported that satisfactory discussions have been held with State concerning the frequency of overseas courier service.

DD/S reported that a notice is in preparation concerning the application of the nepotism section of the 1967 pay bill. The Director urged that the notice instruct employees who may be affected or who may harbor uncertainties to consult with OGC before employing or recommending the employment of relatives.

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Carver noted that thus far the Communists appear to be probing below the DMZ and not launching a major military action.

With respect to the materials for his briefing of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, the Director asked Godfrey to ensure that corrections of fact are made before the last minute.

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The Director lauded the ONE film on the production of National Estimates, and a brief discussion of the distribution and use of the film followed.

Executive Director reported that the results of an Office of Training questionnaire indicate that the participants in Project USEFUL feel the exercise was most salutary.

Executive Director reported that he and the DD/P will be meeting with State and BOB tomorrow concerning the Presidential directive to cut overseas personnel by 10 percent or more. Executive Director, joined by the Director, emphasized that the reduction exercise is no charade, will be painful and complicated, and will leave its mark over an extended period of time.

The Director inquired about the paper on alternative interpretations of Hanoi's intentions and was informed by Godfrey that it will be ready by midmorning today.

The Director announced that there will be no Morning Meeting tomorrow.

L. K. White

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